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Applicant : Norman B. Roberts et al.  
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**PETITION FOR WITHDRAWAL**  
**FROM ISSUE — ISSUE FEE PAID [37 C.F.R. § 1.313(c)]**

**1. Petition**

Applicants hereby petition for the withdrawal of this application from issue.

**2. Patent Issue Fee**

The issue fee for the above-identified application was paid on July 3, 2003.  
The supplemental issue fee was paid on April 2, 2004.

**3. Reasons for Withdrawal Request**

The reasons for the request for withdrawal from issue include:

- (a) consideration of a Request for Continued Examination under §1.114; and
- (b) consideration and entry of an Information Disclosure Statement.

In further detail, withdrawal has been requested to continue prosecution to obtain entry of an Information Disclosure Statement.

**4. Amendment**

Accompanying this petition is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) and the appropriate fees.

**5. Petition Fee Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(h)**

The fee set forth in §1.17(h) and further required by 37 C.F.R. § 1.313(a) is itemized on the attached Fee Transmittal (PTO/SB/17) with authorization to charge Deposit Account No. 503-121. Any deficiencies in the fees may be charged, and any overpayments should be credited, to Deposit Account 503-121.

Any questions regarding this request should be directed to the undersigned attorney of record at the telephone number shown below.

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Attachments: Request for Continued Examination  
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